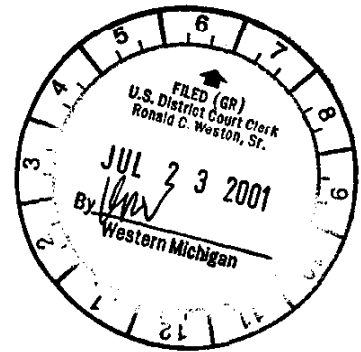


UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF MICHIGAN
SOUTHERN DIVISION



ADMINISTRATIVE ORDER RE:
PROPOSED LOCAL CIVIL RULE 5.7

Administrative Order No. 01-045

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 2071 and Rule 83 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Court hereby gives notice of its intention to adopt Local Rule 5.7 governing electronic filing and service of papers, as allowed by Rule 5 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure. Proposed Rule 5.7 has been approved by the active judges of this court, subject to public comment.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all members of the public of their opportunity to review and comment upon proposed Civil Rule 5.7. The proposed Rule is available for review at the Clerk's Offices in Grand Rapids, Kalamazoo, Lansing, and Marquette, and a copy of this order shall be posted in each office. In addition, the Clerk shall provide a copy of the proposed Rule to this Court's Standing Committee on Local Rules, the West Michigan Chapter of the Federal Bar Association, the State Bar Committee on United States Courts, and the Michigan Lawyer's Weekly.

All comments should be in writing and must be received by the Court no later than **September 4, 2001**. Comments should be addressed to:

Ronald C. Weston, Sr., Clerk
United States District Court
399 Ford Federal Building
110 Michigan, N.W.
Grand Rapids, MI 49503

The Court will consider all comments before promulgating a final version of Rule 5.7.

Dated: July 23, 2001

FOR THE COURT:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert Holmes Bell", written over a horizontal line.

Robert Holmes Bell
Chief Judge